

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed March 16, 2005, Applicant amends his application and requests reconsideration. In this Amendment claim 6 is cancelled and claims 7-11 are added so that claims 1-5 and 7-12 are now pending.

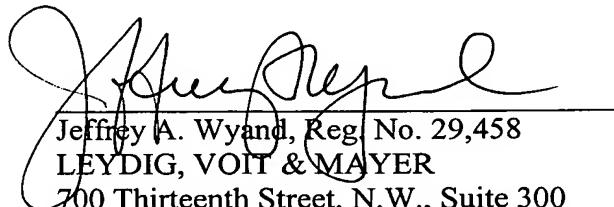
The claims were objected to as allegedly being indefinite. According to the Examiner, the claims are indefinite because it is unclear which of the panels 41 and 61 mentioned in the patent application is the panel referred to in the claims. This objection is respectfully traversed because it is irrelevant to the examination of this patent application. There is no prohibition in the patent application against the claimed structure being used with either of decorative panels 41 or 61 and there is no intention of limiting the claims to any particular embodiment. With those understandings, it is apparent from studying the patent application that the invention is described with respect to panel 61 but is equally applicable to panel 41. Finally, if there is a provision in the statute or regulations that provides a basis for the foregoing objection and if the Examiner intends to maintain the objection, citation of the legal basis for the objection is respectfully requested.

In this Amendment the examined claims have been reviewed and, where appropriate, amended for clarity and improved precision. These amendments do not substantively alter any claim. In addition, part of examined claim 6 is rewritten in independent form as amended claim 1. The part of examined claim 6 not included in amended claim 1 appeared in examined claim 2. Thus, that part of claim 6 could not have been the basis for the indication of allowability of claim 6. The part of claim 6 appearing in claim 2 remains in claim 2. Since amended claim 1 was indicated to be allowable, it is apparent that amended claims 1-5 should be immediately allowed.

In this Amendment new claims 7-11 are added. These claims are clearly based upon amended claims 1-5. The new claims are free of "means for" language and substitute for that language specific structures described in the patent application. For example, the support, including parts 3A projecting from the cabinet toward the frame and including a resilient sponge member, is described in the patent application at paragraph [0034]. The projecting flange at the bottom of the frame preventing the decorative panel from dropping out of the frame is described in paragraph [0036]. Since amended claim 1 was already indicated to be allowable, clearly, new claims 7-11 are likewise allowable.

Reconsideration and prompt allowance of all claims now pending are earnestly solicited

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